

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A plastic bucket comprising, in combination:

an upright, annular bucket wall having an inside wall radius, said annular bucket wall connecting to an annular lip to form an open bucket mouth, said annular lip comprising a single annular wall portion extending upwardly from said annular bucket wall in a direction radially inwardly toward a center line axis of the annular bucket wall along a diagonal path to an upper end, said annular lip further extending from said upper end in an upright vertical direction generally parallel to the annular bucket wall to form a first vertical wall section having an outside radius and an inside radius, said outside radius less than said inside wall radius of said annular bucket wall, said annular lip also comprising a vertical rim generally parallel to said first vertical wall section and having an inside rim wall and an outside rim wall, the outside rim wall having a radius less than said inside wall radius of said annular bucket wall and greater than the outside radius of said first vertical wall section; and a single, generally horizontal, annular flange extending radially outward from the axis and from between the first vertical wall section and ~~connecting the first vertical wall section and~~ the vertical rim.

2. (Currently Amended) A plastic bucket as defined in claim 1 where no external ribs or rings are formed on said annular lip ~~in the area of said undercut~~.

3. (Currently Amended) A plastic bucket as defined in claim 1 where no internal ribs are formed on said annular lip ~~in the area of said undercut.~~

4. (original) A plastic bucket as defined in claim 1 where the angle between said diagonal path and the vertical direction does not exceed approximately 45 degrees.

5. (Cancel)

6. (Withdrawn)

7. (Withdrawn)

8. (Original) A plastic bucket as defined in claim 1 where the magnitude of radially inward extent of said annular wall portion is controlled to permit said bucket to be molded without the use of a collapsible mold core.

9. (Currently Amended) The combination of claim 1 wherein said horizontal annular flange projects extends radially beyond said vertical rim outside wall.